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Guantanamo Bay Goes Extreme



Photo by JOC Ric Evans

Six teams of GTMO men and women covered every available terrain on base to compete in the GTMO Extreme Race last Saturday morning. The early morning adventure began for the teams with a seven-mile kayak trip from the Marina, around Hospital Cay, past buoy seven, around buoy five and back to the Marina... just in time to jump on a bike and head for the Ridgeline Trail. The whole trip wasn't just up and down the trail however, they had to take Pelican Pass (a very steep downhill ride) to Kittery Beach Road and on to Skyline Drive where they began to head back uphill. That wasn't the end of the hills though, riders had to head back up to Ridgeline Trail on Tarantula Trail and make their way back to the marina. The end of the race? Only if you didn't run the final leg, a rugged cross-country 5K that took the teams up around the golf course by Caribbean Circle and back around past the High School and to the finish line... at the marina. More on this adventure on page 6.

What's Inside:

Historically Speaking

The final history lesson on events leading up to the establishment of Naval Base Guantanamo Bay involves the defeat of the last Spanish forces in Cuba at Santiago de Cuba, just a short distance from here. The series is the work of YNC Anthony Atwood of MIUWU 208 working with JTF-160.

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Group of Friends Bows Out of GTMO

Making "friends" was part and parcel to the activities of this JTF-based group. It initiated and participated in numerous activities on the base that brought people together and smiles into many lives. The core of the group has now completed their tours here and are departing, but not without leaving friends behind.

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Four New "2nd's" Grace GTMO's Streets



Better later than never:

These four outstanding petty officers all received welcome calls from The Command Master Chief, CMD/MC Ellen Mustain, last week inviting them to attend a frocking ceremony on the Naval Base Quarterdeck. The calls were welcome because these four were the ones to be frocked to Petty

Officer Second Class. Capt. Robert Buehn presented each with a frocking letter, the contents of which were read by Capt. (Sel) Michael Fair. Frocked were: (left to right) MA2 Danielle DeSanctis and MA2 Robert Stowers of Security, SK2 Tandiwe Calvin of Housing and SK2 Sharon from Supply. Congratulations to all four new "Seconds."

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Energy Conservation

Use the economizer cycle on the dishwasher and let the dishes drip dry instead of using electric heat to dry them.

Mandatory ID Check

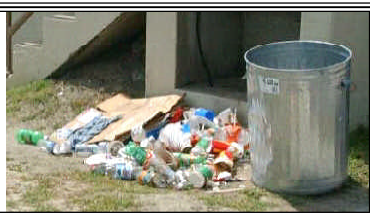
An ID check is required for anyone purchasing an alcoholic beverage at all Navy Exchange sales outlets. The cashier must check for proof of age before the sale can be made. There are no exceptions.

Water Conservation

June 17 - 23
Total Used
6,813,968.0
Daily Avg
973,424.0
Daily Goal
700,000
We we spent \$36,365.39
OVER our goal last week.

Trashed!

This is just one example of areas being abused by residents. Trash has it's place and it's not on the ground! Keep GTMO beautiful. Keep trash in it's place and if you see some that's not... pick it up.



NEX Re-vamps Catalog Rules

By Kristine M. Sturkie
Navy Exchange Service Command
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Program Allows More Overseas Customers to Take Advantage of NEX Mail Order Catalog

The Navy Exchange Service Command (NEXCOM) has expanded its delivery capabilities for customers purchasing items marked "Delivery to CONUS addresses only" in the Exchange Mail Order Catalog. Merchandise can now be delivered to customers in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, and Roosevelt Roads and Sabana Seca, Puerto Rico.

"We recently realigned several overseas Navy Exchanges to fall under distribution centers in the United States," said Mike Mongin, retail operations specialist at NEXCOM. "This enabled us to add the Navy Exchanges in Cuba and Puerto Rico to our current delivery program. Now, all Navy Exchanges overseas are able to take advantage of this great service."

The new program is easy to use. You just place your catalog order via the toll-free numbers and pay for it in full. Then tell the operator that your merchandise is to be delivered to your Navy Exchange. You'll be given a catalog order number which you can use to track your purchase through your Navy Exchange customer service desk. Then just sit back and wait

for your Navy Exchange to let you know when your item is available for pick-up. Your merchandise should be delivered to your Navy Exchange at no extra charge within 3 - 4 weeks after ordering.

Some of the items now available for purchase include TVs, exercise equipment, appliances, large toys, bicycles, luggage, wheelchairs, furniture, golf clubs, cribs and strollers.

You can purchase an Exchange Mail Order Catalog at your local Navy Exchange for \$5. Inside you'll find a coupon worth \$8 off your first catalog purchase. For more Navy Exchange information, go to www.navy-nex.com. For more news from Navy Exchange Service Command, go to their Navy NewsStand Web page at www.news.navy.mil/local/nexcom.

Base Tests Force Protection Plans

CDR Richard Smith
JTF-160 Force Protection Officer/ATFP

In an effort to maximize the security and force protection levels of Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, various plans have been tested during the last week.

One of the plans tested was Force Protection Condition Charlie. Currently, Guantanamo Bay is under Force Protection Condition Bravo. An increase to FP Charlie is meant to increase security to cover vulnerable areas and prepare against possible attacks.

Some of the measures that could be taken include curfews, control and blocking of roads, increases in Random Anti-terrorism Measures (RAMs), hardening of critical facilities, and the limitation of alcohol consumption.

Even though most of these measures were not implemented, it is important to understand

that in future drills more of these measures may be implemented in an effort to provide the utmost safety for all of our personnel aboard the installation.

The most important emphasis of Force Protection Charlie is vigilance and reporting of suspicious activity throughout the installation to your local law enforcement personnel as soon as possible.

Patience and cooperation is appreciated as the commander of the installation may implement a curfew in order to maximize accountability of personnel and minimize areas of large concentration of people. It is also important to adhere to all directions given by security personnel and always carry your I.D. card on your person.

The Force Protection Charlie drill was designed to evaluate and pinpoint vulnerabilities throughout the installation.

BRIEFS

Junior Enlisted Association seeks members

The Junior Enlisted Association (JEA) is trying to get back under way. The mission of the JEA is to promote better working conditions, camaraderie and educational and recreational programs to all E-4 and below. We need strong support from the Junior Enlisted Community to get this program up and running and to be successful. Membership dues are \$4 dollars a month per member. The meeting will be held twice a month, times to be announced at the BEQ Kitchen. Point of Contacts are YN3 Garrison 4511/4709/7599 or MA3 Dekiniker 4105. If you would like more information or would like to get involved please feel free to call.

Recycle Your Washer Water

Plant extra water on-hand to for your lawn, plants or flowers when hot weather restricts water usage?

Contact Public Works and ask about the Washing Machine Water Recycling Barrel. Call Public Works at 4125 and they'll let you know if your house qualifies.

Red Cross Bake Sale

The Red Cross is sponsoring a bake sale at the NEX Atrium, Wednesday, July 3 from 3-6pm. Stop by for cookies, donuts, cakes, fruits and muffins. For more information call the Red Cross office at 5060.

CPO Gathering

All CPO's are invited to the Goat Locker tonight at 6pm as MIUW 208's CPOs say farewell to the GTMO CPOA, leave behind some momentos and to introduce you to the CPO's from MIUW 204.

Additionally the CPO's of MIUW-208 would also like this opportunity to thank each and everyone of CPOA GTMO members for all that you have done to support us during this deployment. Let's get together one more time! Hope to see you there.

Vet Hours

The Veterinary Clinic is closed the last working day of each month for inventory.

Also, animal care (for pets) is only provided on an appointment basis. No walk-ins. Emergencies are always taken and after hours emergencies should call the hospital emergency room and they will notify the vet staff. For appointments call 2212 or 2101.

July 3rd

Games & fun for
the whole family
at the Sailing Ctr.
at 5pm

Fireworks
for
GTMO
9pm

Entertainment
Country Artist
Carie Folks
7-8pm and 10-11pm
Bayview Patio

Reservist Talks to Students



By PN1(SW) Ron Allen
JTF 160/MIUWU 208

Phillip Thompson, a strapping bald-headed man, dressed in army fatigues paced back and forth in front of the classroom recently.

The students' eyes affixed on him - listened attentively as if they would be later tested on his message.

The mobilized Naval Reservist, attached to JTF 160, was not speaking about his involvement in the war against terrorism. He was instead telling them about a different battle against another killer.

"When I'm not wearing this uniform, I'm wearing another kind of uniform," Thompson, an inspector with the US Custom Service at the Port of Miami, told the class. "When I'm not fighting the war on terrorism, I'm fighting the war on drugs."

He spent the morning sharing his experiences with the students from 4th through 8th grades and answering numerous questions they had about the agency.

"EN2 Thompson's presentation was well organized and he clearly communicated to the students and professionals and was able to answer the student's numerous questions," W. T. Johnson, assistant principal wrote in a letter to Thompson's commanding officer.

The US Customs is America's frontline defense in the drug war, he said, adding that Customs officials are often the first people travelers see upon entering the country.

With some of the students leaving the Department of Defense Dependents school for other schools in the states, they will face pressure from students trying to introduce

them to drugs, said Thompson, who has been with the department for just over two years.

"When you get out there... you're going to be what the call fresh [students] and they will prey on you," he told them. "You may see some things, far more deadly than anybody out at Camp America. There are people out there who are determined to destroy your life for their profit. I've seen it happen."

Their defense, he told them, is their minds.

"Some of those people may not be as friendly as some of the people here in Guantanamo Bay, so you've got to be ready, not in a physical way but with your mind," he said. "The mind is a powerful defense and your weapon for defense is to use your mind."

One student wanted to know what Thompson liked most about his job.

"It's pretty rewarding, not because I get to put people in jail but I get an opportunity to take drugs - which can kill one of you or your friends or a family member - off the street," Thompson told him.

Most of the students said they knew what they wanted to be when they grew up - one a police officer, another a basketball player and one a lawyer.

Thompson's advice to them was to complete high school and further their education if at all possible.

"That all starts with education," he said referring to each profession they choose. "Any good job you get today has to start with education, right here, in your home and out there on the playground. Know what you want to do, set your goals, and go for it. The sky's your limit."

GTMO History

The Battle of Santiago Bay

The following is the last in a series of historical articles contributed by YNC Anthony Atwood of MIUWU 208 Joint Task Force 160

The Spanish Empire hung in the balance 30 miles from Guantanamo Bay on Sunday morning, July 3rd, 1898.

The Spanish-American War had reached its climax. The United States Army had bravely fought its way onto the hills overlooking Santiago de Cuba.

In the city itself the Spanish were dug in deep. Their naval squadron of four cruisers and two destroyers was moored in the harbor. Battle was needed to break the stalemate. Under the cover of darkness the Spanish ships began getting up steam.

At 0900 the Spanish began to sortie out the channel to the open sea. Their mission was to close with our blockading ships and destroy them, or break through.

Facing them three miles offshore in line of battle was the pride of the American Navy: USS New York, USS Brooklyn, USS Texas, USS Oregon and USS Iowa.

Most of the crews were attending divine services when the enemy came into sight. Battle Stations sounded. The Sailors turned from hymns to gunnery.

In immediate command was Commodore Winfield Scott Schley. Admiral W. T. Sampson was ten miles down the coast preparing to go ashore for a war council with the Army. (The GTMO School is named for Admiral Sampson). He heard the sound of the guns and immediately turned back to join the battle.

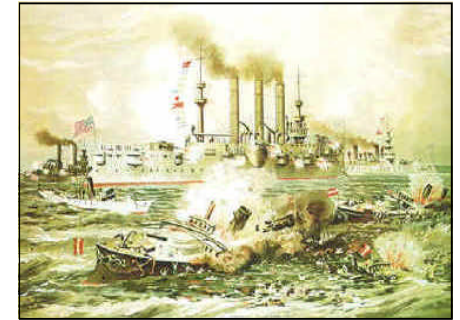
As the Spanish flotilla cleared the channel they ran west along the coast, firing as they came.

For the next four hours the American ships ran alongside, trading shot for shell.

Standing next to the Commodore calling out ranges, Chief Yeoman George Ellis was decapitated by a direct hit. The exchange was fierce, but American gunnery was decisive.

One by one, the Spanish ships were sunk or driven aground in flames.

The victory was total, and miraculous. Despite a number of wounded, Chief Ellis was the only American killed in action. Not so for the Spanish, suffering hundreds killed and wounded. Many



Artistic depictions of the Battle of Santiago (from www.homeofheroes.com)



more were taken aboard as prisoners. As night fell, Sampson and the American squadron again took up station blockading the city of Santiago. The next day, July 4th, the enemy pleaded a truce.

Within a few weeks Santiago de Cuba, the second city of Cuba, with all its military and naval forces capitulated.

The U.S. Army then staged from GTMO for the bloodless occupation of Puerto Rico. That Fall a Peace Treaty was signed giving Cuba independence and removing all Spanish forces from the island. Agreements with the new Cuban government granted the United States perpetual lease for this harbor of Guantanamo Bay.

This rock the Marines fought for, that the Navy has held and the Army operated from has been a bastion of America ever since. Now GTMO is doing its part once again.

A map depicting the Naval Battle.



SORE SCRAPED AND BRUISED...



From a 7-mile kayak trip through the bay...



to the kayak finish line at the marina...

Above: The rest of the field makes it's way to the marina in an attempt to close the gap with the race leaders, Team Dusty.

Right: Having just completed the seven mile kayak course, Cookie Schaffranek, team captain for Team Dusty, leads her team to the bikes as the rest of the teams make their way to the marina. Despite have just completed the gruelling water course in the bay several minutes ahead of the nearest competitors, Cookie refuses to let her team relax.



then onto mountain bikes for a trip through cacti, scrub brush and coral hills...



The EXTREME RACE



TEAM DUSTY REIGNS "EXTREME"



to final factory for Fleet Hospital 20's Team Dusty.

The most dangerous and probably the hardest part of the race was the cross country bike leg that took riders up steep gravel trails, down even steeper gravel trails, across Skyline Drive to Nob Hill, down Sherman Ave. to more gravel and back-country trails, up and down more hills and back to... the marina. The race began to take its toll on the competitors as some returned with scrapes and cuts from falls suffered on the hills. One rider was forced to drop out suffering from heat exhaustion. The teams finished as follows, 5th Place - Naval Hospital, 4th Place - Last-Minute Chaos, 3rd Place - 346 MP Co., 2nd Place - (JTF170) One Step Closer, and in 1st Place - Fleet Hospital 20's Team Dusty. Craig Basil of MWR assured everyone that this is not the last Extreme GTMO race. The next race is currently being planned for the fall, so get out now and get in shape!



then back to the marina to drop off the bikes before beginning the grueling 5K run...

GTMO Taekwondo Students Test for Higher Belt — Co-founder Harper Says Farewell

On Saturday, June 15, GTMO Taekwondo held another belt testing enabling all testing students to achieve their next higher belt color.

The Taekwondo class continues to grow taking the student populace to over 200 students. Instructors, Johnny Harper and Matt Brittle continue to teach the class in the Marine Hill Aerobics Room, which has been at or over capacity many times in the past few weeks. Harper and Brittle are hoping for a larger room in which to facilitate their growing classes. JTF personnel attending the class make up most of the new growth. Students find the workout challenging and the stretching a great help in reducing injuries and increasing flexibility.

This testing was the last belt testing for instructor Johnny Harper. Harper and wife; Dr. Adrienne Harper along with their daughter Ashley will be leaving GTMO next month. The Harpers are heading west, back to San Diego. Mr. Harper, along with Matt Brittle, began this class on October 15, 2001 with only 8 students; since that time the class has grown to over 200. Not bad for a little Taekwondo class on a small island. Brittle will continue teaching classes with the help of local black belts. "The class won't skip a beat," says Harper, who feels the class will continue to grow long after he's

gone. He states: "It was great to be able to offer a class that so many people had an interest in and it was amazing at how fast the class grew. I will miss everyone, but hope they all continue practicing the art of Taekwondo." Harper wanted to thank MWR for all their support in establishing this class, especially D.D., who was instrumental in all the equipment acquisitions, advertising, and providing T-shirts for all the students.

Students who tested and the belts attained are listed below:

Yellow Belt: Romeo Alpe, Joel Andrews, Scott Beverly, Britt Damon, David Beatty, Kaila Daniel, Victoria Encino, Jon Forti, Emil Ganim, Ronald Haywood, Victoria Miller, Tony Narvaez, Joel O'Bradovic, and Ernesto Recoder.

Purple Belt: Mikayla Bosley, Steven Bosley, Kyle Gorrell, Ashley Raymer, Ricky Raymer, and Chris Sherwood.

Purple Stripe Belt: Alex Cheyne, Aaron Gariepy, Michael Garcia, Cai Mowry, Matthew Schonhoff, and Ashley Stephenson.

Green Belt: Kelly Baggett, Kimberly



Baggett, Alan Caulk, Julie DiFraia, Michael Garcia, Alice Helms, April Helms, Justin Helms, Mauricio Hilario, Amy Larsen, Kaitlynn Loop, Luis Rivera, Major Torley, Tanner Torley, and Reginald Williams.

Green Stripe Belt: Sharon Bush, Michael Johnson, Vivienne Ramirez, and Ping Vongpanya.

Blue Belt: Lynn Raymer

Red Belt: Heather Brittle

Red Stripe Belt: Matt Brittle

be necessary.

SMART Transcripts helps Sailors and Marines verify their military experience. This can be useful when preparing resumes. It will eventually replace the DD295, the Application for Evaluation of Learning Experiences during Military Service. However, in some instances, the DD295 may still be required.

Many Sailors and Marines who have never before considered seeking additional education may be encouraged to do so after looking at their SMART Transcript. The realization that their efforts in the military have brought them closer to a degree may be just the encouragement they need to take the next step and begin working toward graduation.

Civilian companies that already recognize the value of employing former Sailors and Marines will have even more incentive to look at these professional individuals as they leave active duty service. Using your SMART Transcript will make military members more marketable in the civilian communities.

To find more information on SMART Transcripts and the many opportunities you have to continue your education go to www.navycollege.navy.mil

Be SMART: A Degree May Be Closer Than You Thought

Lifelines 2000

In today's military, more Sailors and Marines seek higher learning than ever before. The Department of the Navy has recognized this desire and seen the benefit of a more educated Fleet and Corps. In addition to benefits such as Tuition Assistance, the Navy College Program now has the Sailor/Marine American Council on Education Registry Transcript (SMART) available online.

SMART Transcripts are records that translate military experience and schools into an academic record that will be accepted by colleges and universities as college credit. SMART Transcripts are helpful in taking all the guess work out of which degree plan a Sailor or Marine is closest to obtaining. Counselors are able to suggest a degree plan based on the service member's experience.

When service members begin to think of their future and careers outside of the military, SMART Transcripts can be used as a tool in deciding which career field they are more likely qualified for at that point in his or her life. A decision can be made on choosing an academic plan that will support a potential career field. If a complete career change is desired, SMART Transcripts will give service members some idea of how much additional schooling will

A Group of Friends Say Farewell

By PN1 (SW) Ron Allen

JTF 160/MIUWU 208

After three months of mentoring junior personnel and raising money for scholarships, a grassroots group of volunteers has been dissolved.

The group, which operated under the moniker *A Group of Friends*, held its final meeting on June 2 in the Fellowship Hall on Chapel Hill.

Organizers said most of the core participants were scheduled to transfer in June and it only made sense to "close the chapter" while they were still on the island.

"When we began in March, we knew that we would be together in this form for only three months," said CDR Dave Points, who spearheaded the group. "We therefore had a list of goals and things we wanted to do in the community, and we have achieved every one. Now it's time to move on."

The group, which averaged 23 people at its weekly meetings, was comprised of military personnel — primarily from JTF 160 — and civilians.

The final meeting was a potluck gathering similar to the first meeting to symbolize the importance of harmony, officials said. The guest of honor was Maj. Gen. Mike Dunlavey, commander of JTF 170.

Sentiments were mixed over the decision to discontinue the group. Many, however, maintained that the best time to leave is when the stock was high.

"It's just like the stars or a celebrity; you want to retire when you're on top," said MSGT Billy Howard, US Air Force.

Among the list of

projects the group sponsored were the painting of the Fellowship Hall and a farewell reception for two migrant families as they left for their new home in Australia after two years on the island.

The group also donated Easter and Mother's day baskets to five home-bound Cuban exiles on base, operated a concession stand for the SPOA at a

sporting event, sponsored promotion exam study sessions and donated more than 50 hours reading to students at W. T. Sampson Elementary School.

"When you look at our accomplishments, we did a whole lot in a short time," Howard said.

The group did not take attendance and referred to attendees as supporters instead of members.

Howard said *A Group of Friends* relied on its supporters for community service ideas. Each week attendees at the 45-minute meetings would report on upcoming projects for the following week.

"We never had a project that was not a success," Howard said. "Everything we did was well planned and executed."

The highlight of the projects was the recent Spring Talent Show at the Windjammer Ballroom, sponsored jointly with the Senior Petty Officer Association. That event raised more than \$1,000 for two scholarships, which were later presented to two graduating high school students.

"We just wrote an important chapter of history on this rock," said SGT Isaiah Freeman, USAF. "Years from now, when someone reads about Guantanamo Bay during Enduing Freedom, they will see that [we] did more than guard the detainees. They will see that [we] made a significant contribution and made a difference on this island."



One Sunday meeting for *A Group of Friends* concluded with a visit to the historic North-East Gate, a must for anyone who has been a part of life in GTMO.

Worship Services

Roman Catholic Mass

(Main Chapel)

Monday - Friday

Daily Mass (Cobre Chapel) 0630

Saturday

Reconciliation 1630

Eucharist/Mass 1730

Sunday

Eucharist/Mass 0900

Eucharistic Adoration/Reflective

Prayer (Cobre Chapel) Daily, 24hrs

Protestant Service

Sunday

Worship Service - Main Chapel 1100

Camp America 0800

Leeward-Marine Barracks 1430

New Life

(Sanctuary B)

Sunday

Worship Service 0900

Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter Day Saints

(Sanctuary A)

Sunday

Sacrament 0900

Jewish

(Sanctuary A)

Twice per month Call 2323

Filipino Bible Fellowship

(Sanctuary A)

Sunday

Worship Service 1800

Ingllesia Ni Cristo

(Sanctuary B)

Sunday

Worship Service 2000

Pentecostal Gospel Temple

(Sanctuary C)

Sunday

Worship 0800 & 1700

Seventh Day Adventist

(Sanctuary B)

Saturday

Service 1100

United Gospel

(Sanctuary A)

Sunday

Service 1245

United Jamaican

Fellowship

(Morin Ctr Complex - BLDG. 1036)

(Next to the Cable Company)

Sunday

Worship 1100 & 1830

Please ask the Faith Group Representative about Sunday School Times, Education Programs, Bible Study, Prayer Groups, etc. For more details, call the Chaplain's Office at 2323.

GUANTANAMO BAY

Loggerhead Sea Turtle

By Paul Schoenfeld
Natural Resources Manager

This is the 4th in a series of 4 articles about sea turtles found at Guantanamo Bay.

The Loggerhead Sea Turtle (*Caretta caretta*) is another sea turtle that may occasionally nest on GTMO beaches, although nesting here is rare. This one may be seen by people diving and snorkeling here because adults come inshore to feed. Loggerheads were listed as a threatened species in 1978.

Loggerheads are medium to large sized turtles. Adults reach lengths of 32 - 36 inches and can attain weights of approximately 250 pounds. They are distributed worldwide in temperate, subtropical, and tropical waters. In the Atlantic they are found from Newfoundland to Argentina. The Loggerhead Sea Turtle is named for the size of the head which appears very large in relation to its body size.

Adult females come ashore to nest on sandy beaches and are the only sea turtles which nest successfully outside of the tropics. Most Atlantic nesting beaches occur in South Carolina, Georgia, and Florida with Florida accounting for 1/3 of the world's nesting population. Females show high site tenacity preferring to nest on beaches at or near where they were born. Hatchlings leave the beach and enter the open-ocean where they live their so called "lost years" in rafts of sea grass and debris concentrated along drift lines where they feed small animals living in the sea grass mats. When they grow to a length of about 15 inches, the juvenile Loggerheads move inshore to feed on crabs, clams, sea urchins, conch, sponges, fish, and a variety of other marine animals. During migration through the open ocean, adults feed on jellyfish, floating molluscs, floating egg clusters, squid, and fish. Loggerheads are carnivorous throughout their lives.

As with Hawksbills, Leatherbacks, and Greens, female Loggerheads are susceptible to disturbances and will abort nesting efforts if disturbed by people, animals, or even lights while attempting to nest. Also, female Loggerheads do not nest every year. There is usually a 2-3 year interval between nesting years. They average 4-7 clutches per nesting year with about 12-14 days between nesting attempts. The average clutch size is 100-125 eggs.

Threats to Loggerheads are much the same as threats to Hawksbills, Leatherbacks, and Greens. These include loss of nesting habitat from beach front developments, disturbance to nesting females from lights, people, and pets on developed beaches, entanglement in fishing gear, ingestion of marine debris (most notably plastic bags) and illegal take of turtles and eggs. Vehicles on beaches have been known to crush nests and hatchlings have been trapped in ruts left by tires which stops them from entering the water. The National Marine Fisheries Service estimates that commercial fishing takes anywhere from 5000 to 50,000 Loggerheads annually. Because most of these turtles are juvenile and sub-adults, and because Loggerheads take 20-30 years to reach sexual maturity, the impact of the current loss of juveniles may not be realized for decades.

Loggerhead Sea Turtle conservation efforts at GTMO are the same as for Hawksbills, Leatherbacks, and Greens and include cabling off

Creature Feature

"Creature Features" are submitted by The Guantanamo Bay Environmental Office



beaches to prevent vehicle access, a nest monitoring program, prohibitions on taking sea turtles and their eggs, and an educational outreach to inform residents about sea turtle conservation.

Most all GTMO beaches have sea turtle nests and we are approaching a time when nesting activity will intensify. When using the beaches you will probably see tracks leading to and from depressions or pits in the sand. It is important to stay clear of these because they may be turtle nests which can be damaged by foot traffic or dogs and kids digging and playing in the sand. These areas can be easily avoided because they are usually well above the high tide line. By keeping recreational activities at or below the high tide line, we can help conserve these nests and the next generation of sea turtles. It is important to keep litter, especially plastic bags, off the beaches and out of the water. Loggerheads and other species eat plastic bags, balloons, and similar items because they resemble food. Even small quantities of marine debris clog their digestive system, interfere with their metabolism, and usually kills the turtle. It is also important to avoid disturbing sea turtles. Occasionally you may see a turtle crawling on the beach or excavating a nest and it is important to stay away. If someone approaches or shines a light on a nesting sea turtle, she will abort her nesting activity and return to the sea.

GTMO provides excellent nesting habitat for sea turtles and becomes increasingly important as other beaches are developed or otherwise rendered unsuitable. With the information provided on 4 species of sea turtle over the last month, it is clear that very little effort on our part will help conserve these endangered and threatened species. By merely avoiding the nests, not disturbing the turtles, and not littering the beaches and waters, we are promoting their long-term conservation. This is our responsibility as stewards of this Base, to ensure our actions manage and conserve these species and their habitats. Likewise, it is our responsibility to report violations. If you see a violation or poaching of sea turtles or other wildlife, call Security at 4105 or Channel 12 on VHS. They will respond and take appropriate action.

GTMO SHOPPER

FOR SALE

(2) Genesis Paintball Marker. Recently re-built. Mom says I have too many. Must sell. Call 5613.

(3) Acoustic Guitar with case (Yamaha FG412) \$250 call 81001day/81047 even pager 4447 #900.

(3) Men's bike - Huff, gold color, good condition, \$45. Call Jon (H) 81190 or (W) 7488.

(3) Two hunter green carpets and 1 burgundy carpet, \$20 each. Two runners - 1 green, 1 burgundy, \$5 each. Available immediately. Call 7066.

(3) Compaq 486 Laptop Computer with CD-Rom, Microsoft Office, 56K modem ready, case and other parts. Great for checking email and Windows programs. Accepting best offers for complete system. Call Bernard, 2400 or 2907.

(3) Small microwave, available 9 July, \$20. US Diver regulator set. \$400 OBO. One year old with only 10 dives on it. One pr. Avanti quattro fins, \$65. Call 7397.

(3) Treadmill, \$100. Home Gym, \$150. FMI, Call 7898.

VEHICLES/BOATS

(1) Great family car: 1996 Camry SE 4D, Less than 80,000 miles, tires less than a year old, in good shape, not a GTMO special. Kelly Blue Book valued at \$9,000+, asking \$5,000. Call 5552.

(3) 18-ft Bayliner w/ 70HP Johnson, trailer and fish finder, \$3,450. FMI, call Henry at 7333 (H) or 2010 (W).

(3) 1985 Crown Victoria, \$1,500 OBO. FMI, call 5715.

(3) 1994 Harley Davidson 883 XL Sporty, \$4,500 OBO. Call 7637.

(3) Diver's Delight - 24 foot pontoon with trailer, 50 HP Force engine with newly rebuilt lower unit, transom and motor mount, head and galley area, secured table with chairs that seat four, diving platform, sundeck, marine radio, three anchors, and all safety equipment. 70 percent of pontoon has overhead coverage, with plenty of room for diving equipment. FMI, call 5552 or a test drive, or go by pier 33 and check it out - it's the big white one. Asking \$5000.

(3) 10' X 22' Pontoon boat, includes dual axle trailer for boat removal from water, aluminum bimini top, many rod holders, 48 Special Johnson motor, one complete scuba

diving set, BC, regulator, 2 tanks, weight belt, 3 ball cast fishing reels, 2 handlines. Asking \$2,800. Call 5350 AWH.

WANTED

Are you a starving artist? I'm looking for someone to do a charcoal or a pen & ink. Interested artist call 5418.

Looking for a reliable local to do some work on my Baldwin/Wurlitzer. Interested call 5418.

Sitter needed for two school age children. Beginning 2003 school year.

7:15 am through 2:30 pm M-F. Great job for local college student, lots of study time. Contact Tammy DWH 4162 x 224, after 5 pm 7185.

Wanted: Small apartment or efficiency in Orlando, FL. Preferably close to UCF. Call JoAnn at 2774 with information.

EMPLOYMENT

LCN is accepting resumes for a full-time Accountant. The candidate must have a bachelor's degree in business, finance or accounting. Please submit your resume at the LCN offices. For more information call 2852.

The following are positions available through the Human Resources Office (HRO).

Open with Closing Date:
Accounting Technician, closes 07/10/02

Student Summer Hire
Worker Aid-Clerical, closes 07/03/02

Worker Aid-Laborer, closes 07/03/02

Open to Foreign Nationals
Lead Firefighter, closes 07/10/02

Firefighter, closes 07/10/02
Food Service Worker, close 07/10/02

Open Continuous Vacancies:
Supply Technician, 1st cutoff 12/21/01, closes 12/06/02

For more information contact the Human Resources Division at ext. 4822or4430.

The following job opportunities are available at the Navy Exchange.

F/T - Weekdays, Weekends:
Sales Clerk (jewelry)

Hair Stylist
Flex - Weekdays, Weekends:

Food Service Worker
Maintenance Worker

Cashier-Checker
P/T Weekdays:

Internal Documentation Cash Control Clerk
Temp - 7am-5pm or noon to 5pm:

Desk Clerk (Navy Lodge)
For details, visit the Navy Exchange Personnel Office or call 4119.

SERVICES

Experienced, Red Cross Certified babysitter available. Call Melissa at 5418.

I have joined my sister in the babysitting ranks...I'm Red Cross certified and experienced. Need a babysitter call CJ at 5418.

Babysitter -- American Red Cross certified. Call Rhett at 7864 for your child care.

Going away for the holidays or just need help caring for your pet? Your worries are over, two responsible sixth grade students are here to help. We are very experienced and can handle anything. Call 7797 and one of us will be there!

Need a night to yourselves...Red Cross certified and experienced baby-sitters. Call Amanda or Christa @7892.

PETS

Ugly, good natured cat needs a home - we need a home for hobbies. He is a lovable, fat orange stripe tabby, not great on looks but he loves to be petted and has a good personality. He is at the vet clinic. FMI, call 2101 or 7539.

YARD SALES

Friday , 28 June at M108, 4-7 pm.
Final PCS yard sale. Household

goods, clothes, stuff we forgot to put in the HHG shipment and can't be Expressed. Not that people listen, but NO EARLYBIRDS! Beware of Devil Dogs.

Saturday, 29 June at Paola Point #8, 4:30-6:30 pm. Dishes, washer/dryer, clothing w/50% selected items.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Base Insurance Office will be closed Wednesday, 03 July 2002 due to the Base holiday celebrations, but will be open for business on Monday, 01 July, and Tuesday, 02 July, from 5 p.m. until 6 p.m. Please call 5626 for further information.

The Base Chaplains Office is sponsoring a Piano Tuner late summer or early fall. Anyone interested in having their pianos tuned call the Chaplain's office at 2323.

The GTMO Association of Fishermen (GAF) is welcoming new members. Meetings are held Thursdays at 7pm at Pelican Pete's Marina. FMI, show up at marina or email jbfins@hotmail.com.

Calling Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences graduates: Your alumni association would like to hear from you and find out what you are doing in Guantanamo Bay Cuba. Write to Sharon Willis (SWillis@usuhs.mil) with any news that you would like to share.



NFCU Membership Opportunities

Every Tuesday night during the month of July, Navy Federal Credit Union representatives are going to be in the NEXCOM Atrium from 6-8pm to enroll all eligible personnel who desire NFCU membership.

LILO & STITCH

Kids/Family and

Comedy

1 hr. 25 min.

Starring: [Tia Carrere](#),
[David Ogden Stiers](#),
[Zoe Caldwell](#),
[Kevin Michael Richardson](#),
[Daveigh Chase](#)



Walt Disney Pictures' new animated comedy, "Lilo and Stitch," tells a tale of a young girl's close encounter with the galaxy's most wanted extraterrestrial. Lilo is a lonely Hawaiian girl who adopts a small ugly 'dog,' whom she names Stitch. Stitch would be the perfect pet if he weren't in reality a genetic experiment who has escaped from an alien planet and crash-landed on Earth. Through her love, faith and unwavering belief in "ohana" (the Hawaiian concept of family), Lilo helps unlock Stitch's heart and gives him the one thing he was never designed to have – the ability to care for someone else.

THE SUM OF ALL FEARS



Action/Adventure
2 hrs. 04 min.

Starring: [Ben Affleck](#),
[Morgan Freeman](#),
[Bridget Moynahan](#),
[Liev Schreiber](#),
[Alan Bates](#)

European neo-Nazi terrorists acquire a nuclear device and plan to use it at the Super Bowl, blaming the attack on Russia in the hopes of rekindling the Cold War. Luckily, CIA analyst Jack Ryan is on the case.

BAD COMPANY

Comedy/Action

1 hr. 57 min.

Starring: [Chris Rock](#),
[Anthony Hopkins](#),
[Gabriel Macht](#),
[John Slattery](#),
[Peter Stormare](#)



CIA operative Kevin Pope is suave, brilliant, and right on the verge of completing a top-secret mission to keep a rogue nuclear weapon off the black market when he is suddenly killed. With the clock ticking and no other options available, the CIA reluctantly enlists Kevin's Long-lost identical twin brother, Jake, to take his place. But since Jake is the mirror opposite of Kevin, a working-class Joe, it's up to veteran CIA agent Gaylord Oakes to train him within 9 days to become a spy.

Movies

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

8pm Bad Company
PG13 - 117min

10pm The New Guy
PG13 - 89min

SATURDAY, JUNE 29

8pm Sum Of All Fears
PG13 - 124min

10pm Deuces Wild
R - 97min

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

8pm Life Or Something
Like It
PG13 - 104min

MONDAY, JULY 1

8pm The New Guy
PG13 - 89min

TUESDAY, JULY 2

8pm Changing Lanes
PG13 - 99min

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

8pm Deuces Wild
R - 97min

THURSDAY, JULY 4

8pm Lilo & Stitch
PG - 85min



What's Happening..

RHODE ISLAND NIGHT

June 28, 2002

Bayview Patio at 6pm

Hot Dog Special with Rhode Island Sauce
and Cheese \$1.50 each

Performing Live

'Least Worst Band'

8pm - 11pm

INDEPENDENCE DAY

CELEBRATION

July 3, 2002

Events Begin at 5pm

Event Locations:

Bayview Patio, Tiki Bar, Sailing Center,
Jerk House

Lots of Prizes, Food & Fun

Live Entertainment From Nashville

Tennessee

Carrie Folks Country Recording Artist

Bayview Patio 7pm - 8pm & 10pm - 11pm

Fireworks Display 9pm Bayview Patio

8-BALL POOL TOURNAMENT

July 3, 2002

at the Windjammer

Tournament Begins at 8:30pm

Double Elimination

Trophy & Cash Prize

BIKE SHAK RENTAL SPECIAL

July 4, 2002

Rent a Trek Mountain Bike or Giant OCR
Road Bike for \$1.50 an hour or \$3.50 for the
whole day.

FMI Call 2345 or 2381

911 LIBERTY 10K

July 4, 2002

G.J. Denich Gym

Show Time 6:00am

Start Time 6:30am

T-Shirt Deadline is July 1, 2002

Best Costume Contest

FMI Call 'DD' at 2193

BOWLING CENTER

4th OF JULY SPECIAL

July 4, 2002

.75cent Bowling 11am - 12 Midnight

Shoe Rental .50cents

INDEPENDENCE DAY PAINTBALL

TOURNAMENT

July 6, 2002

at Cooper Field

5 vs 5 Speed Ball

Youth Division, Open Division,

Women's Division

FMI Call 2345 or 2381

PREDICTOR SWIM MEET

July 6, 2002

Windjammer Pool

8am - 12pm

Men & Women 1st Place Only

Registration Begins at 7am

For more information on any of the events
listed above, call 5225.